

## Article 78A - Public Works

25G.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) "BUILDING" MEANS THE ROOF, WALLS, AND PROJECTIONS CONSTITUTING A CONTROLLED ENVIRONMENTAL AREA AND THE ENERGY SYSTEMS THAT CREATE THE CONTROLLED ENVIRONMENT.

(3) "ENERGY AUDIT" MEANS AN IN DEPTH ENGINEERING ANALYSIS OF THE FACTORS CAUSING ENERGY WASTE IN A BUILDING THAT INVESTIGATES THE AMOUNT AND COST OF ENERGY WASTE AND THAT COMPARES THE ENERGY WASTE COST WITH THE EXPENSE OF REMEDYING THE ENERGY WASTE ON A COST-EFFECTIVE BASIS.

(4) "ENERGY USE" MEANS THE ENERGY CONSUMED IN ENERGY SYSTEMS THAT INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

(I) ANY EQUIPMENT THAT IS EMPLOYED TO HEAT A BUILDING;

(II) ANY EQUIPMENT THAT IS EMPLOYED TO COOL A BUILDING;

(III) ANY EQUIPMENT THAT IS EMPLOYED TO HEAT WATER USED IN A BUILDING;

(IV) ANY EQUIPMENT ON THE SITE THAT IS EMPLOYED TO GENERATE ELECTRICITY FOR THE BUILDING; AND

(V) ANY EQUIPMENT THAT IS EMPLOYED ON THE SITE TO USE THE SUN, WIND, OIL, NATURAL GAS, COAL, AND ELECTRICITY AS ITS POWER SUPPLY IN WHOLE OR IN PART.

(5) "THERMAL PERFORMANCE" MEANS THE BEHAVIOR OF A BUILDING IN REGARD TO LIMITING HEAT TRANSFER TO THE OUTSIDE ENVIRONMENT.

(B) THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES SHALL CONDUCT AN ENERGY AUDIT FOR THE ~~HERBERT R. O'CONNOR~~ STATE OFFICE COMPLEX IN BALTIMORE CITY AND THE MILLARD TAWES STATE OFFICE COMPLEX IN ANNAPOLIS. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONTRACT WITH A PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING FIRM TO PERFORM THE ENERGY AUDITS.

(C) THE PURPOSE OF THE ENERGY AUDITS IS:

(1) TO IDENTIFY:

(I) OUTMODED EQUIPMENT,

(II) DETERIORATING ENERGY SYSTEMS,

(III) MALFUNCTIONING COMPONENTS,